GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR EDUCATION SECTOR
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has demanded more funds in the Budget (2007-08) from the Planning Commission to meet the demand of education sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which the current allocation of funds is likely to be higher than the previous allocation made during the last three years;

(c) whether the Government has formulated any alternative scheme to strengthen the education system in the country in case of non-allocation of the proposed funds;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether adequate priority has not been given by the Planning Commission to attain universalisation of education;

(f) if so, the details alongwith the reasons therefor; (g) whether the Government has taken up the matter with the Planning Commission for according high priority and allot more funds for the scheme; and (h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (h): Government has accorded due priority to the Education Sector including Universalisation of Education and an allocation of Rs.28674.00 crore has been provided for the Department of Higher Education and Department of School Education & Literacy during 2007-08 which is higher than the allocations made during last 3 years as per details here under:- .

Year	Allocation	% increase overlast year
2004-05	8225.00	-
2005-06	15243.76	85.3%
2006-07	20745.50	36.1%
2007-08	28674.00	38.2%